

29. *SOLIVA ANTHEMIFOLIA* (JUSS.) R. BR. A NEW RECORD FROM  
DELHI AND WESTERN UTTAR PRADESH

*Soliva anthemifolia* (Juss.) R. Br. a native of South America recorded from Ramnagar, north U.P. and Bahraich, eastern U.P. in 1963 by Bhattacharya. This is followed by other reports from Dehra Dun (Babu 1966; Singh 1969) and from Rajasthan (Maheshwari & Singh 1972). We collected this species during winter months of 1971-73 from several places in Meerut, Bulandshahr, Saharanpur and Delhi. The plants are more suited to moist exposed

habitats and the species is rapidly spreading in several areas including cultivated fields.

This taxon is characterized by its prostrate habit, rooting, leaves, position of heads, female ray-floret without corolla; flattened winged achenes with persistent barbed bifid-style.

The specimens collected are deposited in the herbarium of Botany Department, Meerut University, Meerut.

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30. *INDIGOFERA KARUPPIANA* NOM. NOV.

A small herbacious papilionaceous plant was collected from Sirumalai hills, Madurai Dt., of Tamil Nadu (Madras State) which on identification was found to be *Indigofera vestita* Baker in FL. BRIT. IND. 2:96, 1876.

This is a later homonym of Harvey in Harvey and Sonder, FLORA CAPENSIS 2:182, 1859-65. Hence it is an illegitimate name and has to be rejected according to Article 64 of the

International Code of Botanical Nomenclature, 1972. There is no earlier valid name for our plant which is indigenous to Tamil Nadu. Consequently, according to Article 72 of the same code, a new name has to be given to it.

The specific epithet *karuppiana* is chosen in gratitude to Mrs. Karuppia Nadar and Sons who generously financed our two years' exploration of Sirumalai hills.

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